

**BEFORE THE FLORIDA
JUDICIAL QUALIFICATIONS COMMISSION**

**INQUIRY CONCERNING A
JUDGE, NO. 01-244**

CASE NO.: SC01-2670

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RESPONDENT'S OBJECTION TO EXHIBIT

COMES NOW, the Respondent, by and through undersigned counsel and files this objection to Exhibit 12 referenced in Special Counsel's Prehearing Statement dated February 20, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been furnished via facsimile and U.S. Mail to: **Judge James R. Jorgenson**, Chair of the Judicial Qualifications

Commission Hearing Panel, 3rd District Court of Appeal, 2001 S.W. 117th Avenue, Miami, Florida 33175-1716; **John Beranek, Esq.**, Counsel to the Hearing Panel of the Judicial Qualifications Commission, P.O. Box 391, Tallahassee, Florida 32302; **John S. Mills, Esq.**, Special Counsel, Foley & Laudner, 200 Laura Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32201-0240; **Brooke S. Kennerly**, Executive Director of the Florida Judicial Qualifications Commission, 1110 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32303; **Thomas C. MacDonald, Jr., Esq.**, General Counsel to the Investigative Panel of the Judicial Qualifications Commission, 100 North Tampa Street, Suite 2100, Tampa, Florida 33602, **Louis Kwall, Esq.**, Co-Counsel for Respondent, 133 North Ft. Harrison Avenue, Clearwater, Florida 33755; this 18th day of March, 2002.

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